IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Minoru Umemoto et al.) Group Art Unit: 3725
Application No.: 10/540,534) Examiner: Teresa Bonk
Filed: June 24, 2005	,))
For: Method of Refining Metal Surface and Metal Product by Method) Confirmation No.: 3553

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.